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BLACK SHEEP, SCOUNDRELS, WEIRDOS: PETER QUILL--A.K.A. STAR-LORD--DRAX THE DESTROYER, GAMORA, ROCKET RACCOON, AND GROOT LEARNED TO LOOK AFTER THEIR OWN INTERESTS, THEN DISCOVERED THEY COULD NOT STAND BY WHEN THE UNIVERSE WAS IN PERIL. THEY HAVE NO OFFICIAL JURISDICTION, BUT IF YOU'RE IN TROUBLE (OR YOU'VE GOT A LINE ON A SCORE) IN THE MILKY WAY, YOU CAN CALL THE...

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# GUARDIANS of the GALAXY



in  
"Beyond Electric  
Dreams"

THE GUARDIANS REUNITED FOR ONE LAST SCORE! BUT GAMORA PARLAYED THAT THEFT FOR THE GRANDMASTER INTO ANOTHER FOR THE COLLECTOR, TRYING TO OBTAIN SOMETHING ONLY AN ELDER OF THE UNIVERSE COULD FIND: THE SOUL STONE...BUT SHE'S KEPT HER TEAM IN THE DARK. MEANWHILE, DRAX HAS GONE MILITANTLY NONVIOLENT, AND GROOT ISN'T REGROWING--WHICH COULD BE RELATED TO THE HOODED FIGURE CULTIVATING A FARM OF RABID GROOTS. WHILE INTERNAL TENSIONS RISE, THE GUARDIANS HAVE BEEN MAKING POTENTIAL ENEMIES--THE ELDERS, THE NEW NOVA CORPS, WHO'RE SUPPOSED TO STOP THEFTS, AND THE PEOPLE FROM WHOM THE GUARDIANS STOLE THEIR SHIP, THE *MILANO*.

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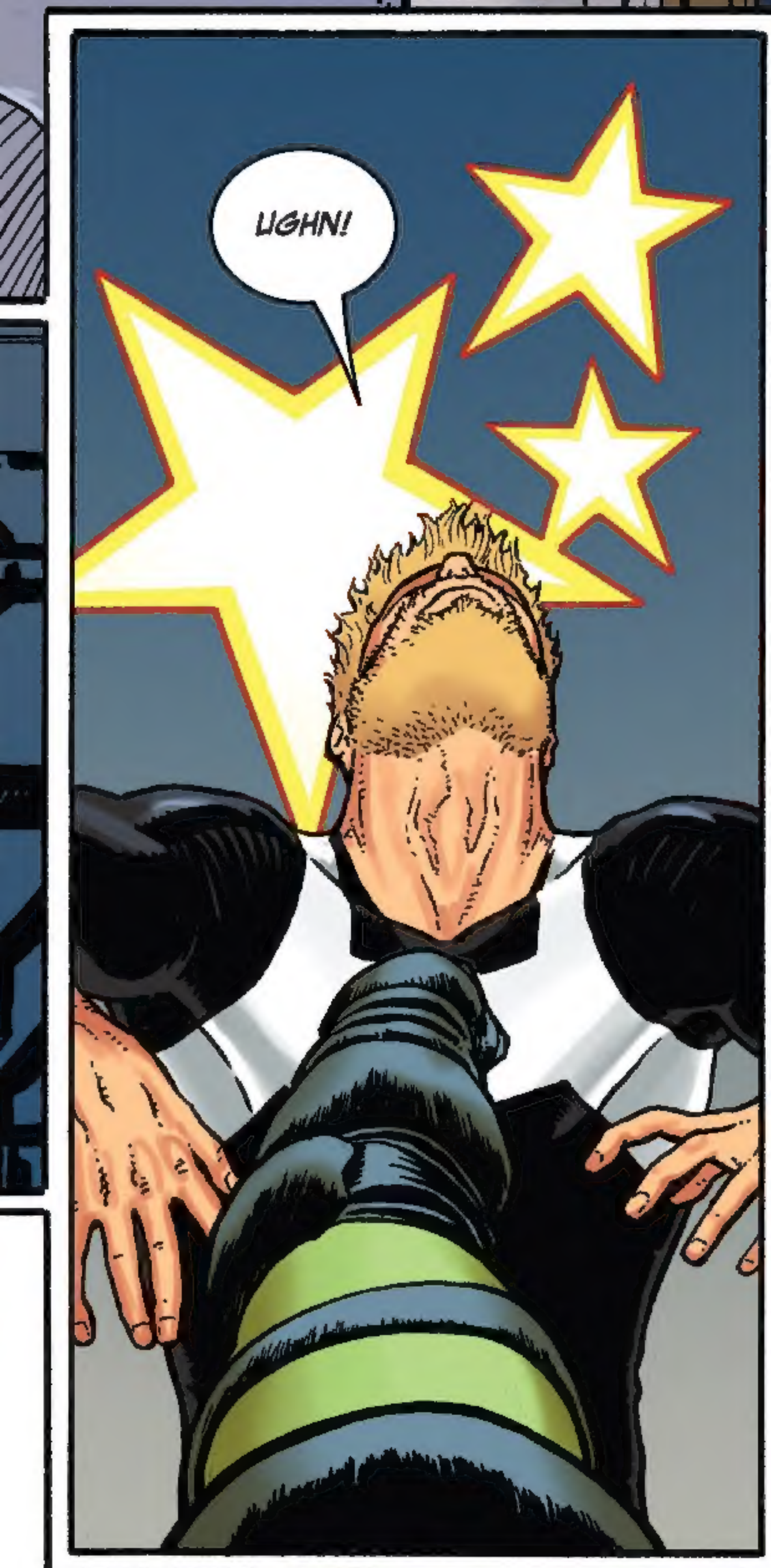
YOU AIN'T BEEN YOURSELF SINCE WE FOUGHT THANOS ON EARTH.

AND BY YOUR OWN ADMISSION, THANOS MADE YOU. AND HE'S ALWAYS WANTED THE INFINITY STONES.

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THAT YOU MAY NOT EVEN KNOW WHY YOU'RE SEARCHING FOR THEM?!

YOU LIED TO US, GAMORA!

OH, DEAR.



UGHN!



DON'T WAG ANYTHING IN MY FACE YOU DON'T WANT SNAPPED OFF.

YOU MAY PUNCH THE REST OF US IF IT MAKES YOU FEEL BETTER.

WHAT?! NO!



STAR-LORD IS RIGHT. YOU'VE BEEN OBFUSCATING YOUR MOTIVES AND MOVEMENTS SINCE WE LEFT EARTH.

LET US ALL HEAR THE TRUTH FROM YOUR LIPS.



... ONCE, LONG AGO, I DIED IN BATTLE...



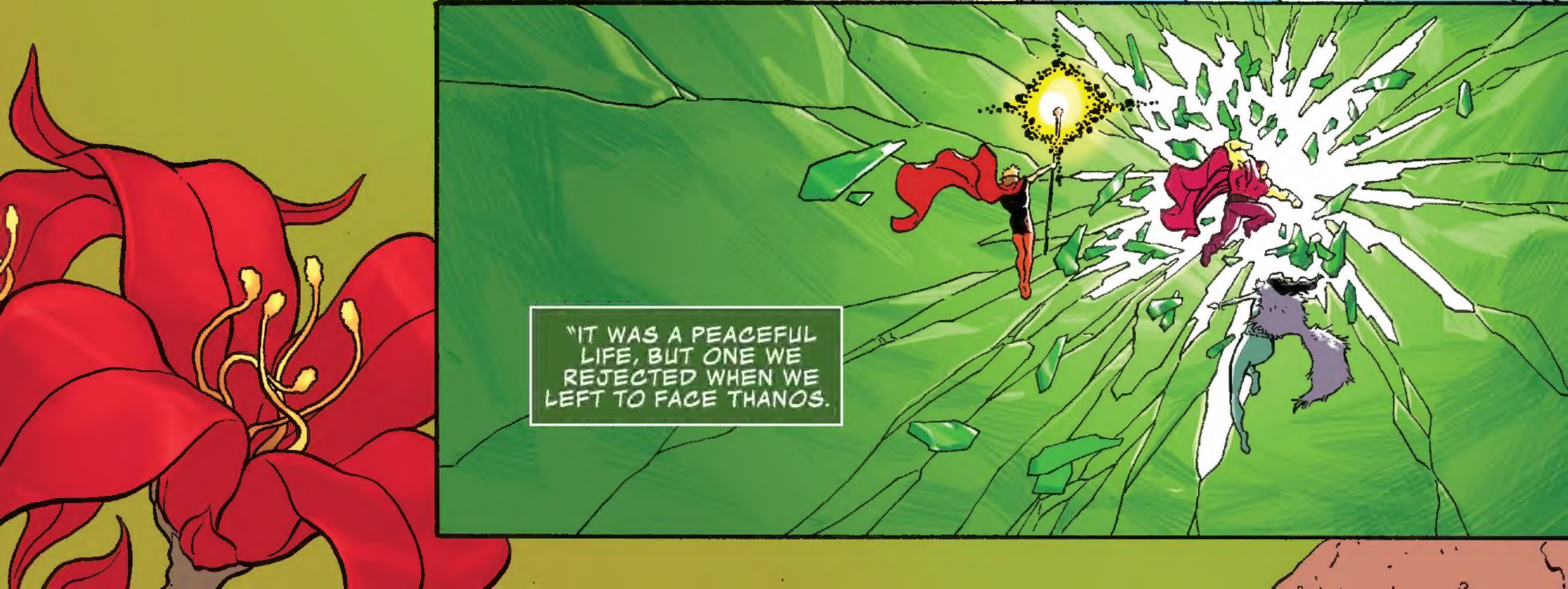
"...BUT THAT WAS NOT MY END.

"MY ESSENCE--MY SPIRIT--CONTINUED ON WITHIN THE SOUL STONE.



"THERE IS AN ENTIRE WORLD, NO--AN ENTIRE UNIVERSE--INSIDE THAT TINY ROCK.

"WE THOUGHT WE HAD ATTAINED SOME KIND OF NIRVANA.



"IT WAS A PEACEFUL LIFE, BUT ONE WE REJECTED WHEN WE LEFT TO FACE THANOS.



"...OR I  
THOUGHT  
I LEFT.

"IN TRUTH, A PART OF  
ME STAYED BEHIND. A  
PART OF MY SOUL IS STILL  
TRAPPED IN THE STONE.

"THERE IS A PART OF  
ME THAT IS STILL  
TRAPPED IN A TIMELESS  
STONE CELL.

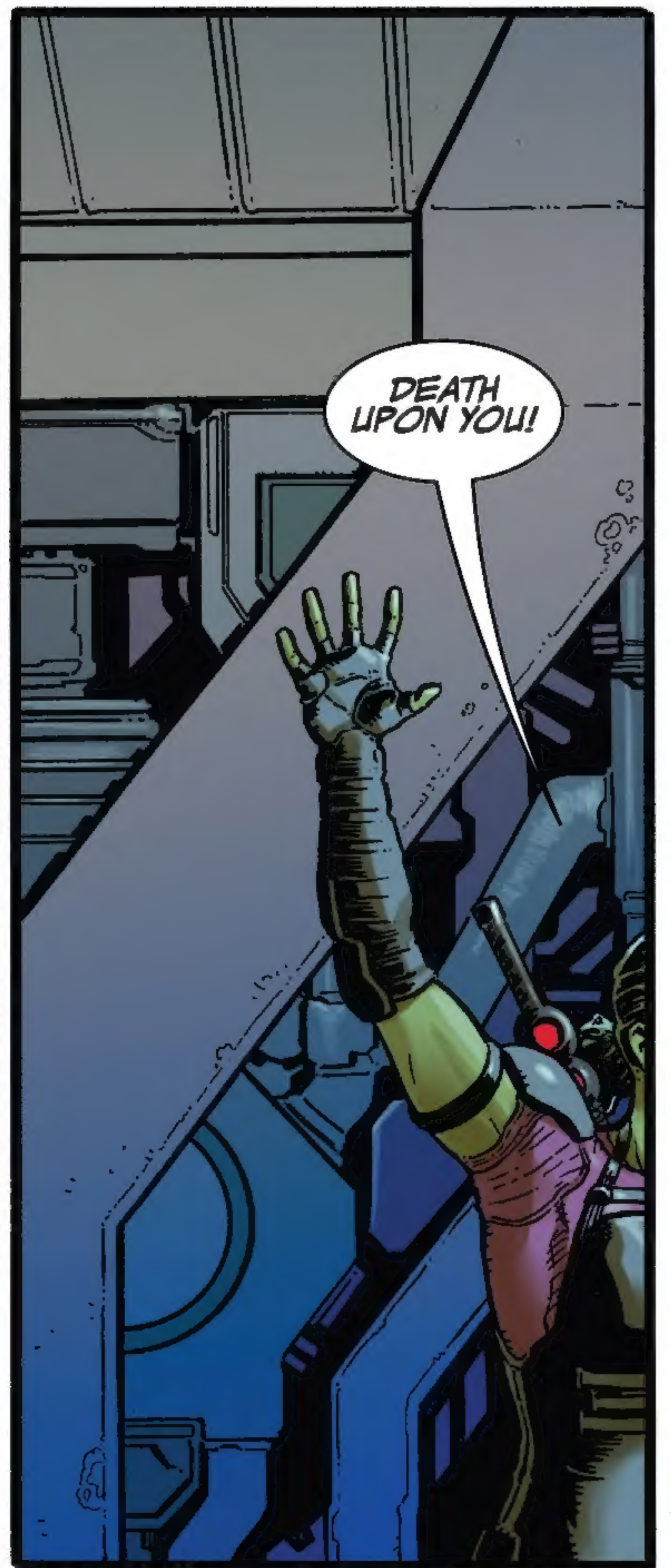
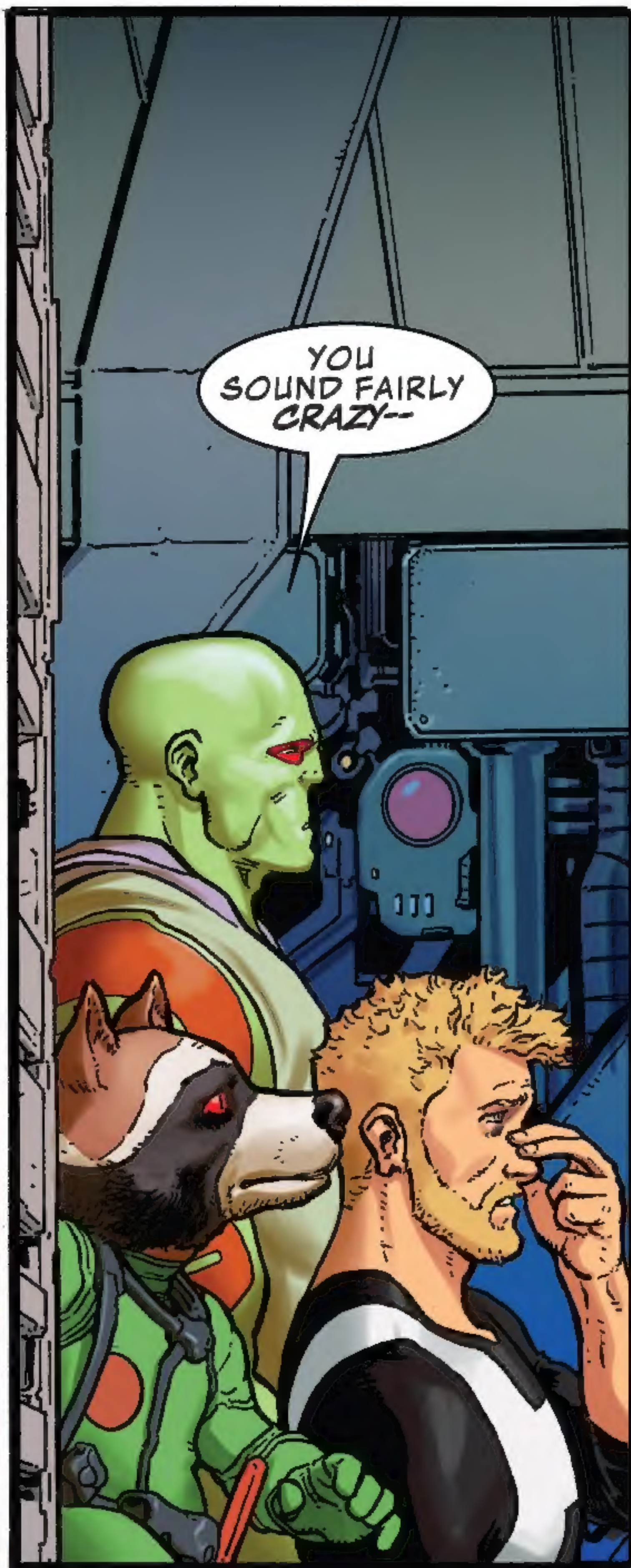
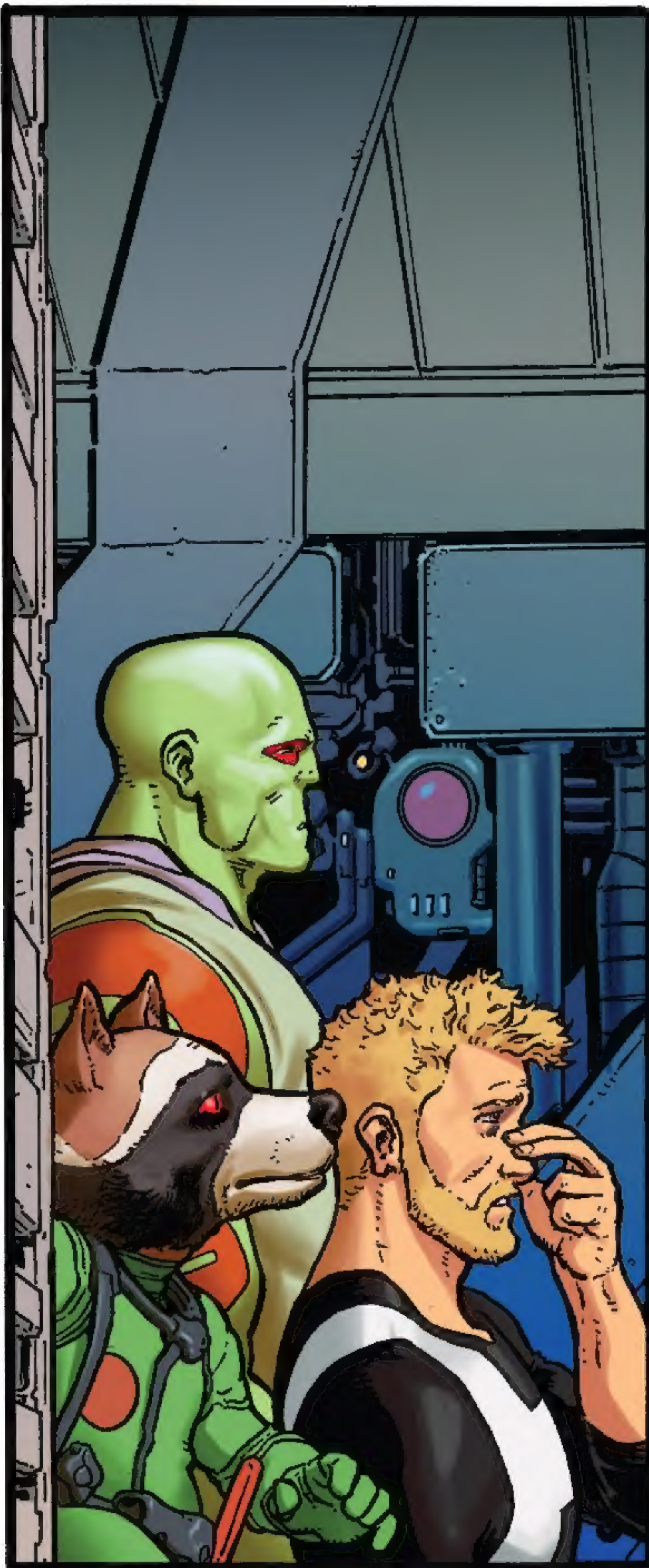
"I NEED TO  
BE COMPLETE  
AGAIN."

YOU WERE  
THERE ONCE  
TOO, DRAX.

NOW  
TELL ME I'M  
CRAZY.

I  
DARE  
YOU.









DRAX, YOU KNEW GAMORA WAS FREAKING OUT, BUT YOU DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING?



WE WERE DEAD TOGETHER. THAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE BREEDS CAMARADERIE.



SO-- ARE WE IN AGREEMENT? WE'RE ASSUMING SHE'S RIGHT ABOUT ALL THIS?



I DON'T--

WHOA!



GAMORA'S GONE INSANE-- SHE'S SCUTTLING THE SHIP!

SMASH

UGHN!



THIS DAY CAN'T GET ANY WORSE.



ARTIFICIAL GRAVITY IS TOAST.

GET UP HERE!

ENGINES ARE OFFLINE.





WE'RE BEING  
BOARDED BY THE  
RAPTORS!

HOW'D  
THEY KNOCK  
OUT OUR  
POWER?

THEY KILL-  
SWITCHED OUR  
ENTIRE SYSTEM. IT'S A  
GOOD BET THESE ARE THE  
RIGHTFUL OWNERS  
OF THE MILANO.

I SAY WE  
PUT ASIDE THE  
BRAWL WE WERE  
HAVING WITH  
EACH OTHER.

TRUCE,  
'CAUSE IF THEY  
TAKE THE SHIP,  
WE'RE AS GOOD  
AS DEAD.

NOT TO  
WORRY. WE'LL  
KILL THEM IN  
THE DARK.

LIGHTS  
OUT.





ENERGY BARRIER IS UP, AND THE DOOR IS OPEN!

WE'RE HERE TO RETAKE THIS VESSEL IN THE NAME OF THE SHI'AR RAPTORS!





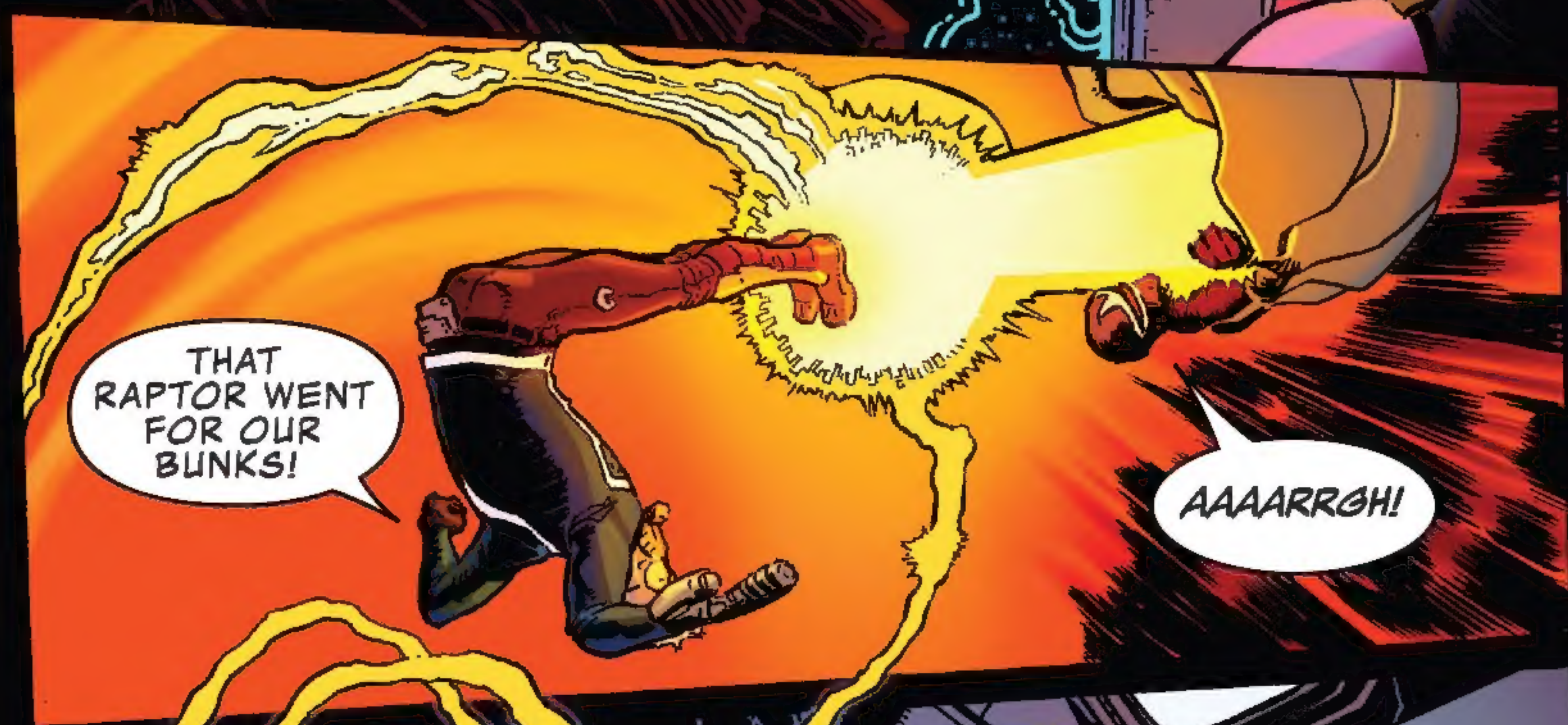


KEEP THEM  
OFF MY BACK  
WHILE I  
RETRIEVE IT.

AS YOU  
COMMAND,  
TALONARI!

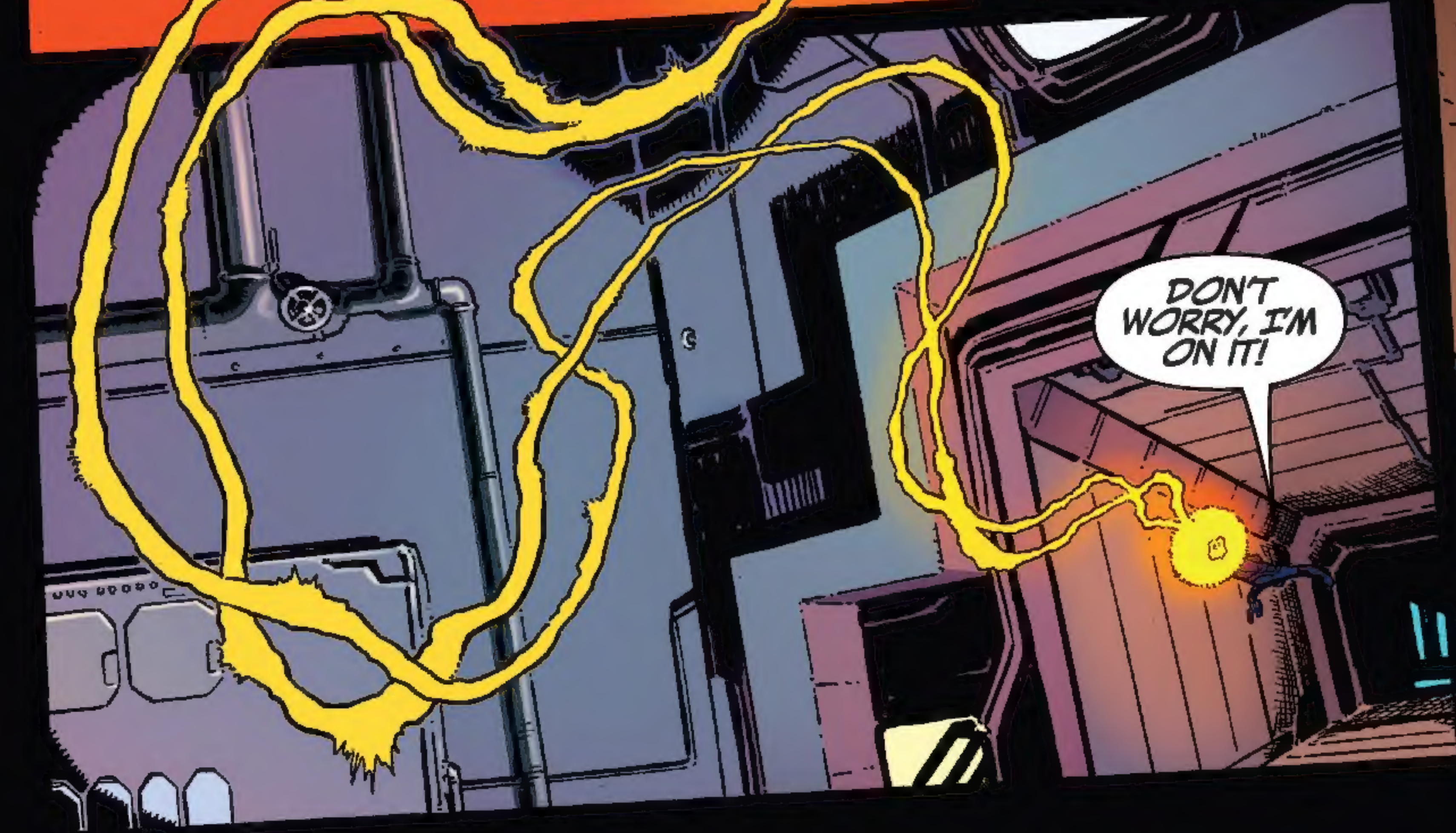
THIS'D BE  
OVER IF DRAX  
WOULD GET HIS  
HEAD OUT OF  
HIS BUTT.

QUIT  
COMPLAINING  
AND WATCH  
YOUR SIX!



THAT  
RAPTOR WENT  
FOR OUR  
BUNKS!

AAAARRGH!



DON'T  
WORRY, I'M  
ON IT!



I CAN HEAR  
HIM CUTTIN'  
THROUGH THE  
BULKHEAD. STAY  
AWAY FROM MY  
TAPES--

WHAT THE  
HELL?





MAKE WAY OR DIE, QUILL.



COUNTEROFFER--LEAVE... WHOEVER THAT IS, AND GET THE HELL OFF MY SHIP.

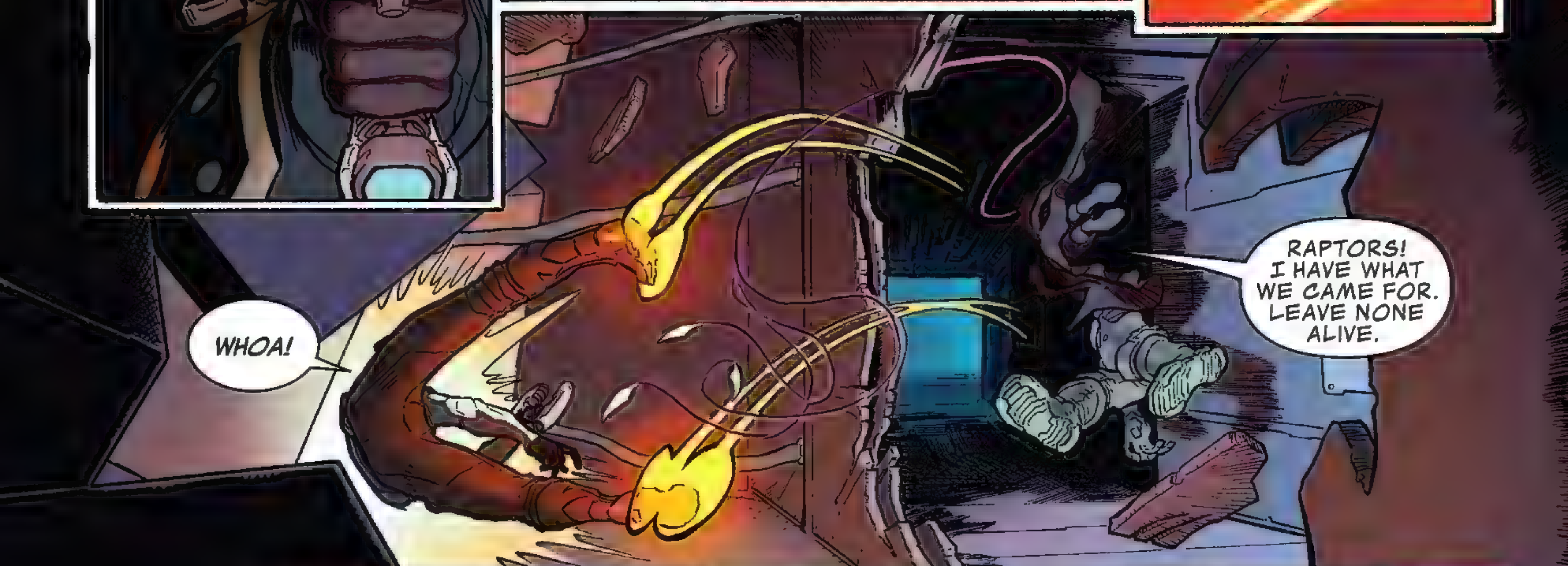


IT'S NOT YOUR SHIP, AND THIS BODY IS NOT YOUR PRIZE.

PAFF



UH-OH!



WHOA!

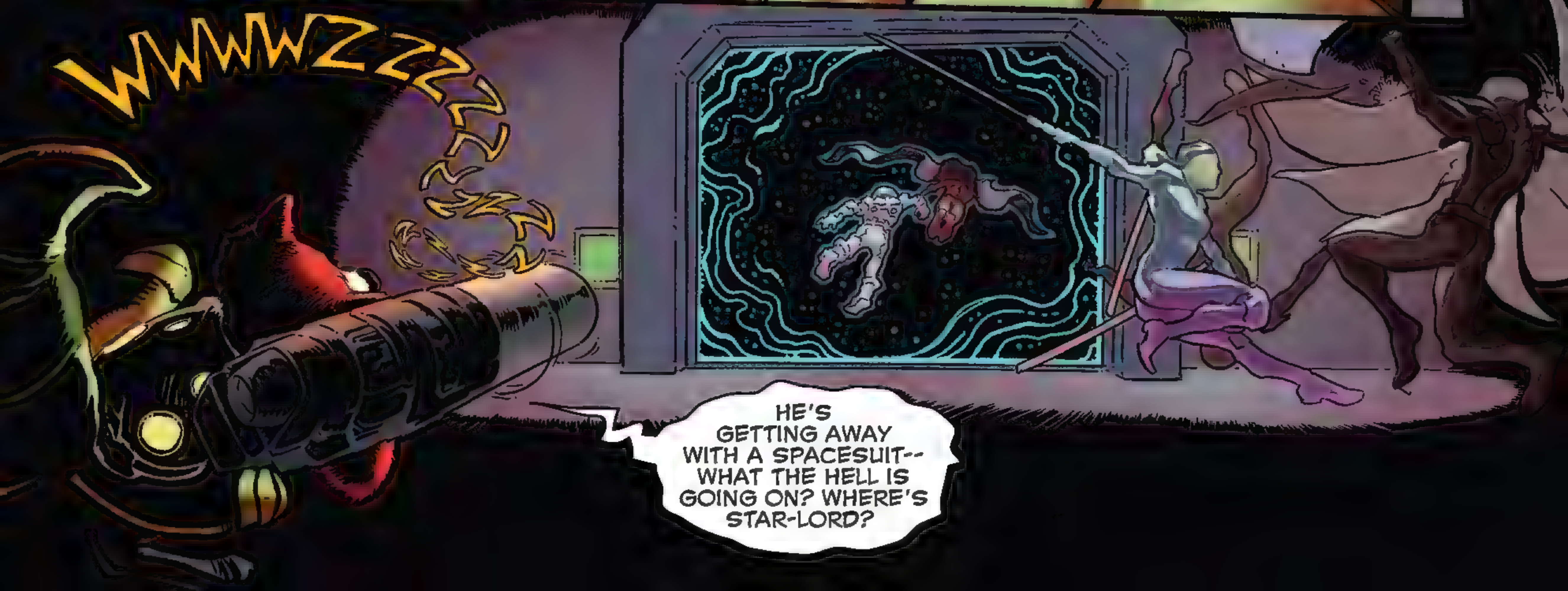
RAPTORS! I HAVE WHAT WE CAME FOR. LEAVE NONE ALIVE.



I AM GROOT!

WHO SAID THAT?









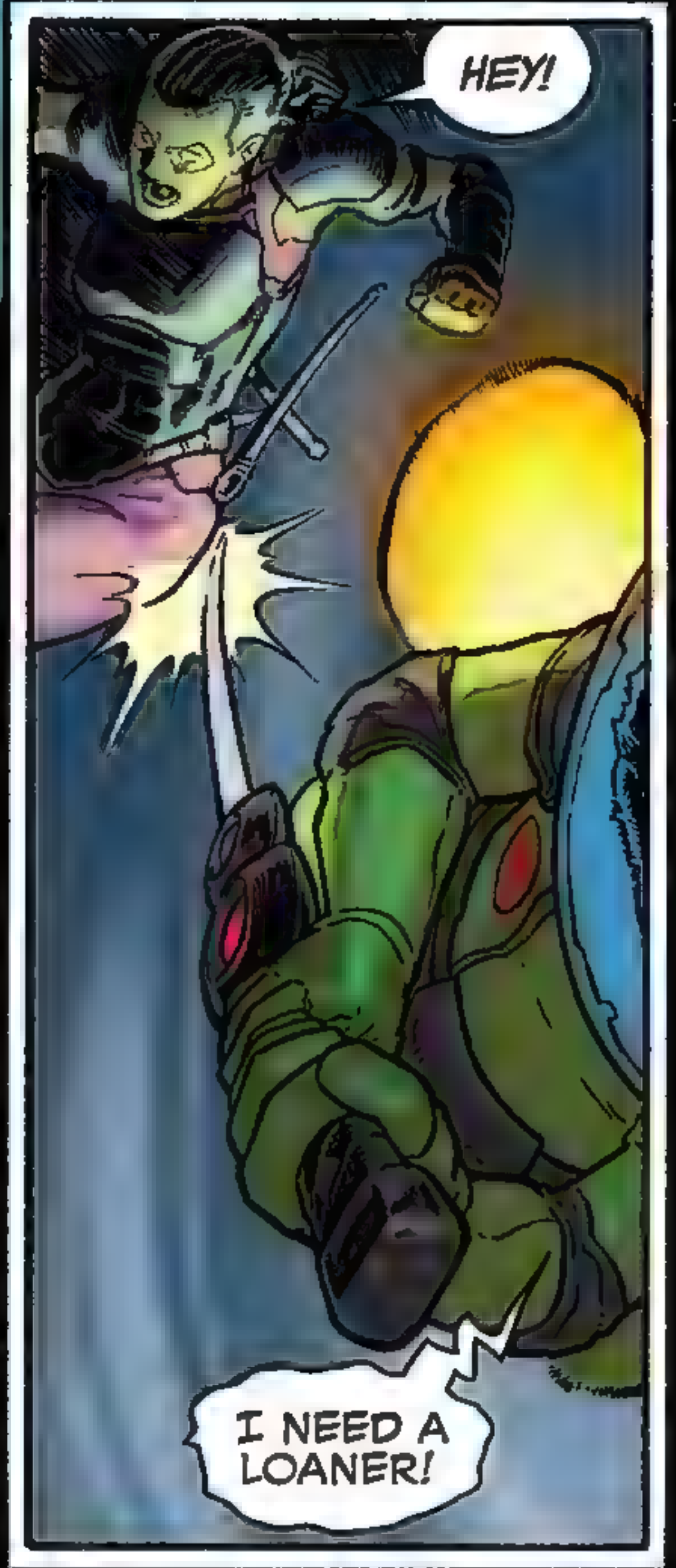
YOU OKAY, BUDDY?

I AM GROOT!

YEAH, I SAW THAT--HE DUG UP A SPACE GHOST ON OUR SHIP! PRETTY COOL!

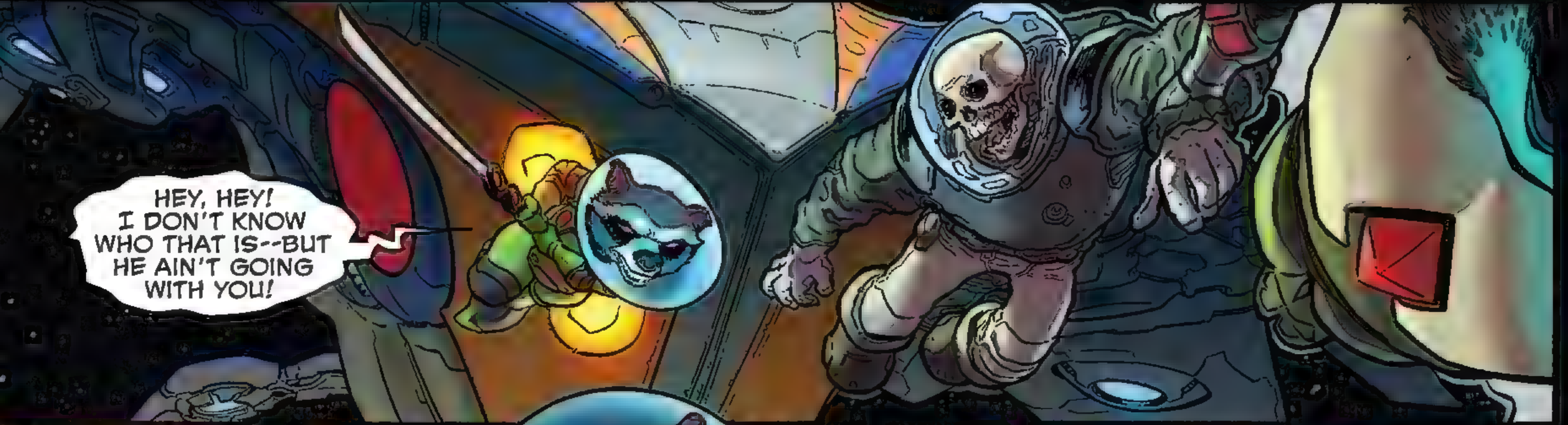


I'M GONNA GO GET IT BACK.



HEY!

I NEED A LOANER!



HEY, HEY! I DON'T KNOW WHO THAT IS--BUT HE AIN'T GOING WITH YOU!



YEAARGH!





AAHI STUPID  
DAMN TRASH-  
EATING  
BASTARD!

YEAAANNG!

SLASHK



GASP

DAMMIT.



UGHN.



GOTTA  
GET  
BACK!



NO!!  
LEAVE  
IT!



THIS  
AIN'T OVER  
BETWEEN US,  
BIRD-BOY.





FWASH

I AM GROOT?

YEESH. THAT'LL BE A MESS LATER. LET'S TRY AND SWEEP HIM OUT BEFORE HE MELTS.

THERE'S TWO LEFT-- I GOT ONE.



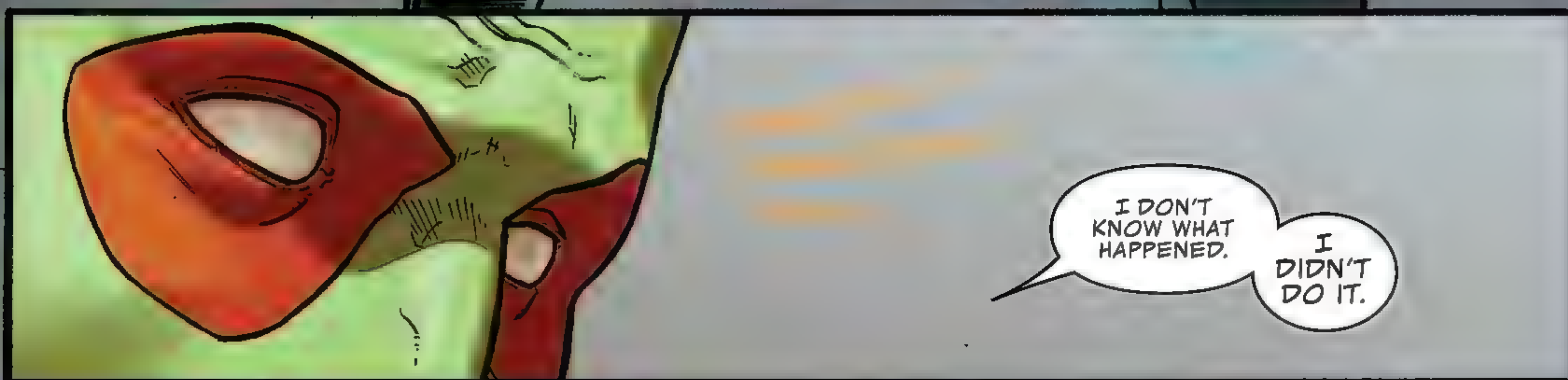
LIGHTS ON!

SLACK

BY MY COUNT THERE'S ONE SOLDIER REMAINING.

I'LL WATCH LEFT, YOU LOOK RIGHT.









EVERYBODY  
OKAY?

CORRECTION:  
PART OF A  
CORPSE.

UHN.

YES. BUT, THE  
MILANO IS STILL  
DISABLED.

THAT  
WAS VERY  
ODD. THEY  
RISKED THEIR  
LIVES FOR A  
CORPSE.

AT LEAST I  
RUINED THEIR  
MUMMY.



OW.  
HUHN.

THAT WAS  
WEIRD.

WHAT'S  
"KLANKIN"  
IN THERE?

SLIKK

WELL, NOW  
PERHAPS IT  
MAKES MORE  
SENSE.

IS THAT  
REAL?

WHOA.

IS THAT  
WHAT I THINK  
IT IS?

IT  
IS...

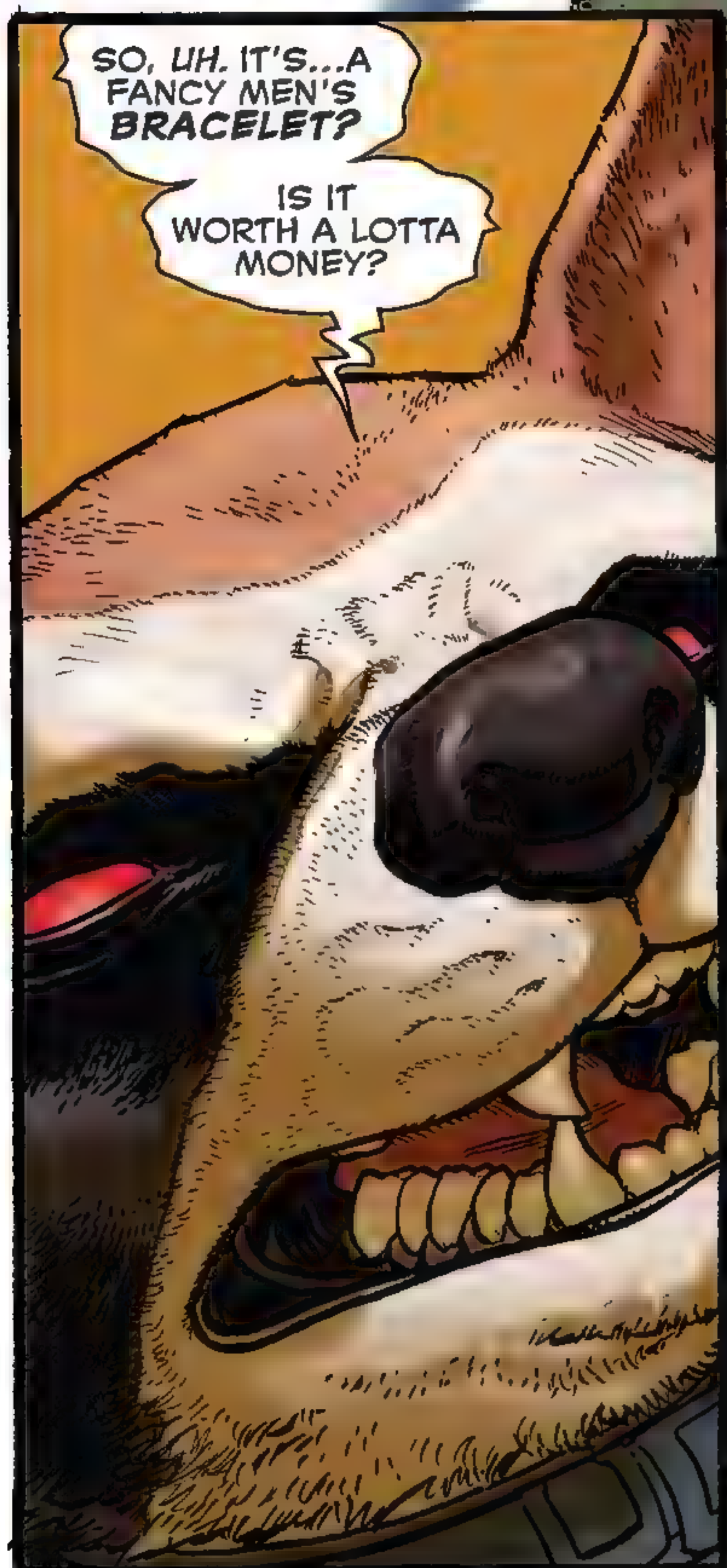


...IF YOU'RE  
THINKING IT'S ONE  
HALF OF A SET OF  
NEGA-BANDS.



SO, UH. IT'S...A  
FANCY MEN'S  
BRACELET?

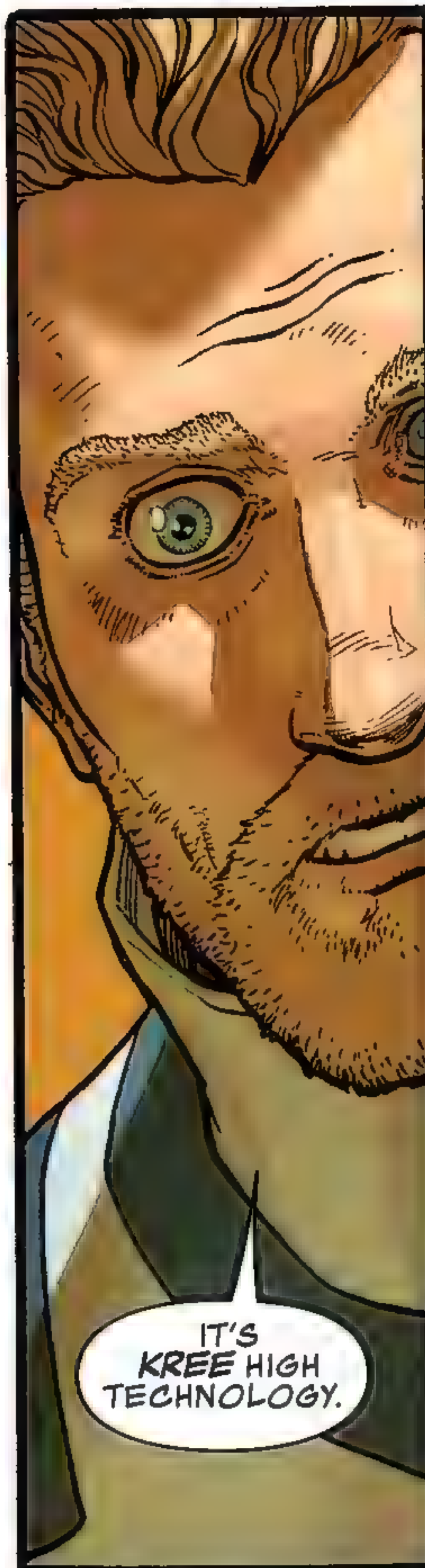
IS IT  
WORTH A LOTTA  
MONEY?



THESE  
BANDS WERE  
BEFORE YOUR  
TIME.



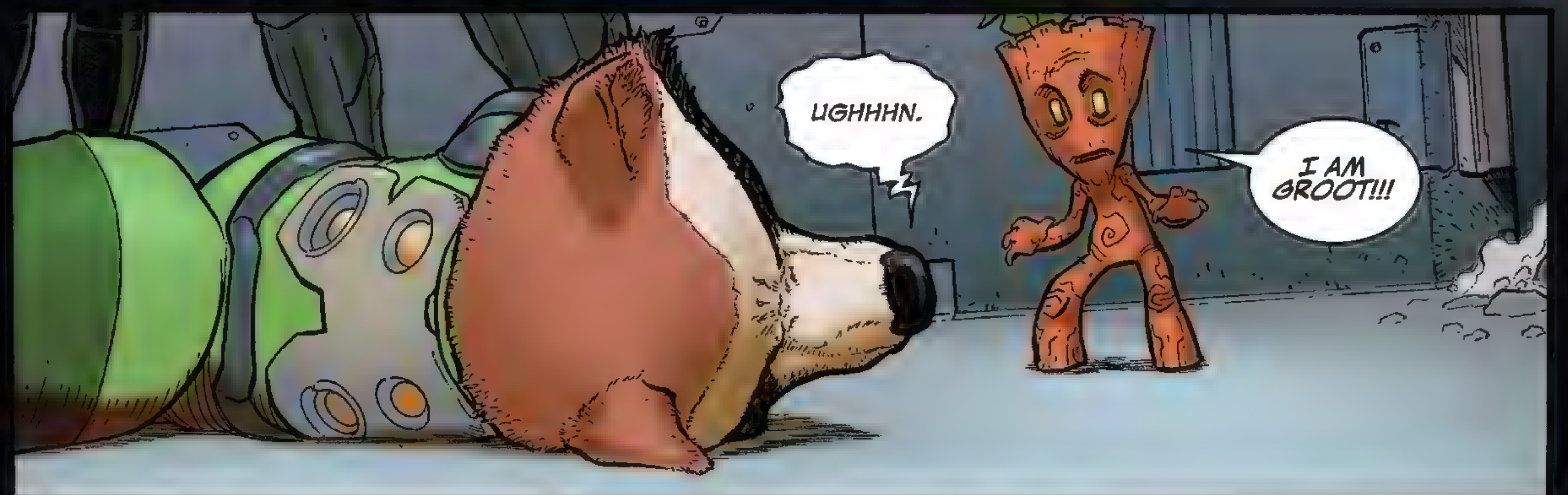
IT'S  
KREE HIGH  
TECHNOLOGY.



THAT  
MEANS THAT  
RAPTOR JUST  
ESCAPED WITH  
THE OTHER  
NEGA-BAND.



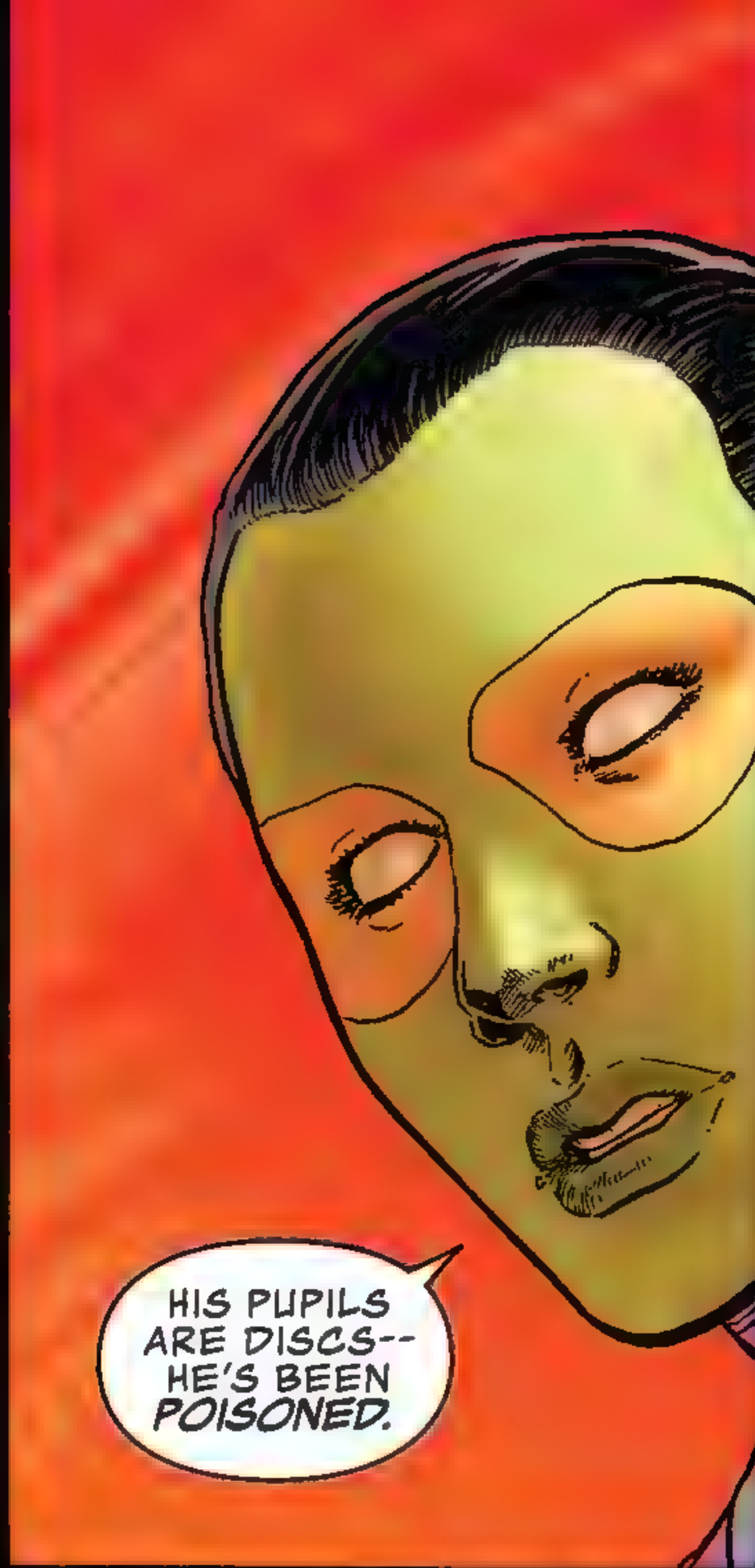








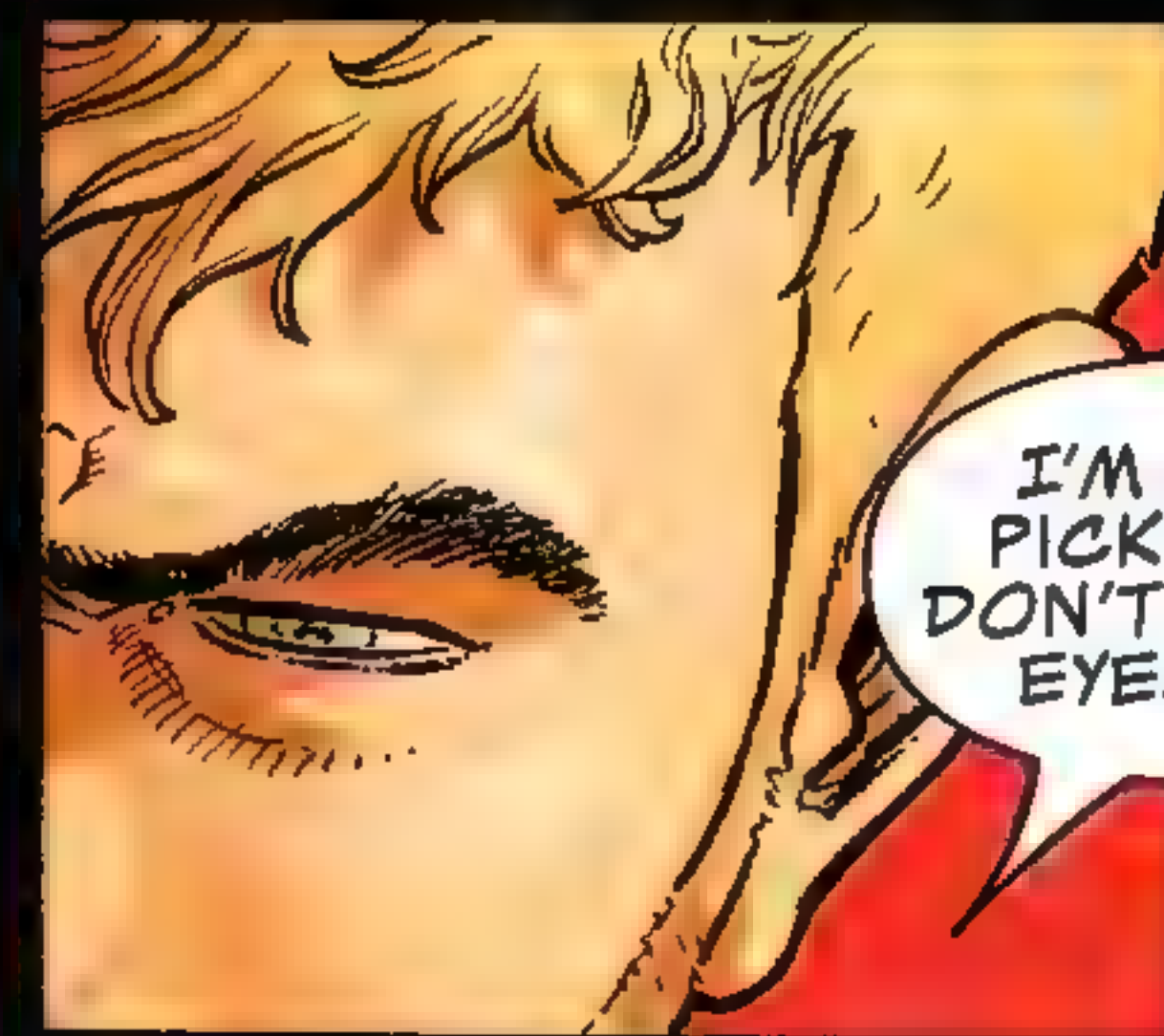
ROCKET?



HIS PUPILS ARE DISCS-- HE'S BEEN POISONED.



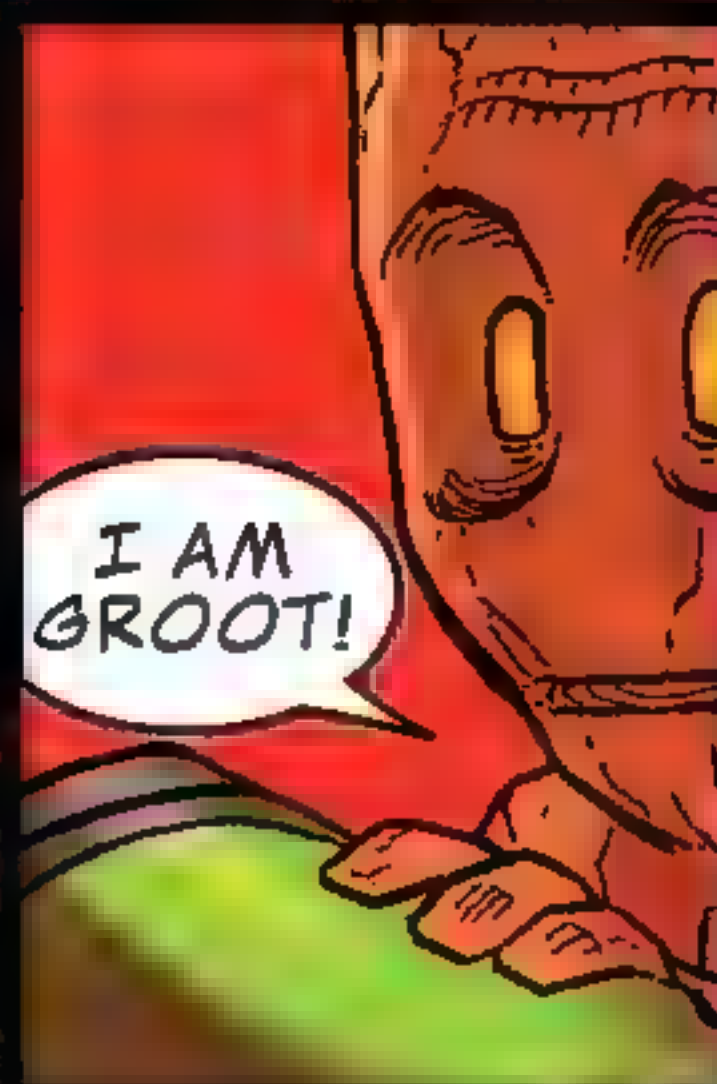
HEY! WE CAN FINALLY USE THE SHIP'S MEDBAY!



I'M GONNA PICK YOU UP. DON'T CLAW MY EYES OUT.



ROCKET, LISTEN TO PETER!



I AM GROOT!



BURNS...

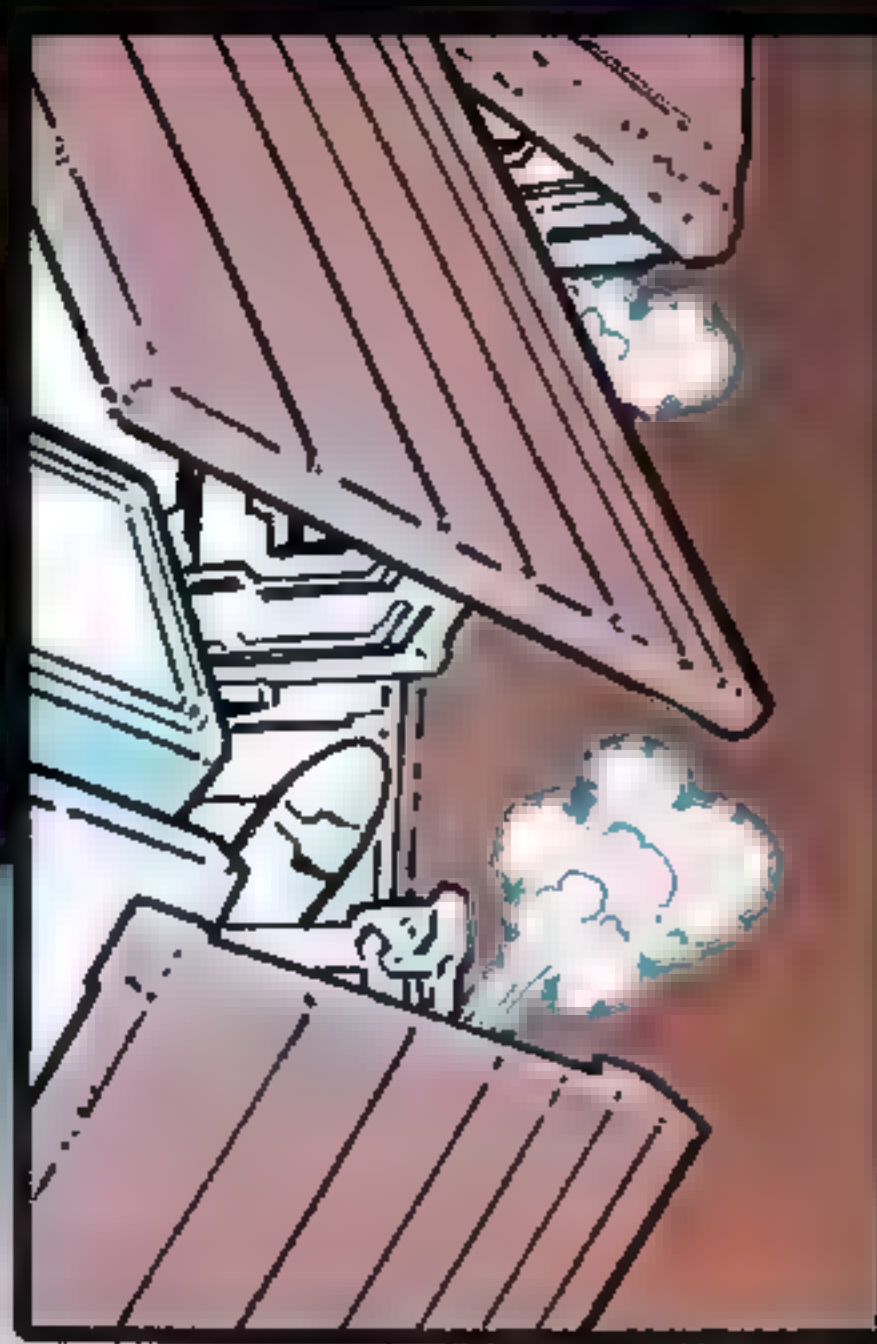


I KNOW YOU DON'T LIKE BEING TOUCHED, ESPECIALLY CRADLED LOVINGLY-- BUT--

GONNA KILL YOU.



AND YOU SAID HAVING A MEDBAY WAS FOR THE WEAK.



PLEASE STOP TALKING. IT HURTS WORSE THAN THIS POISON.

I CAN'T, SORRY. I'M NOT A DOCTOR, BUT I KNOW IT'S BETTER TO BE ALIVE AND ANNOYED THAN DEAD AND NOT.

YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO DIE, DUDE. YOU CAN'T LEAVE ME WITH THESE GUYS. YOU UNDERSTAND?

...A SHI'AR TALON, HALF A SET OF NEGA-BANDS...

GAMORA'S TRYING TO GET US KILLED FOR AN INFINITY STONE...

...DRAX IS HAVING A PROTRACTED NERVOUS BREAKDOWN AND TWO COSMIC ELDERS ARE GOING TO BE OUT TO MURDER US. THE ONLY ONES AROUND HERE THAT AREN'T @#\$% UP ARE YOU...

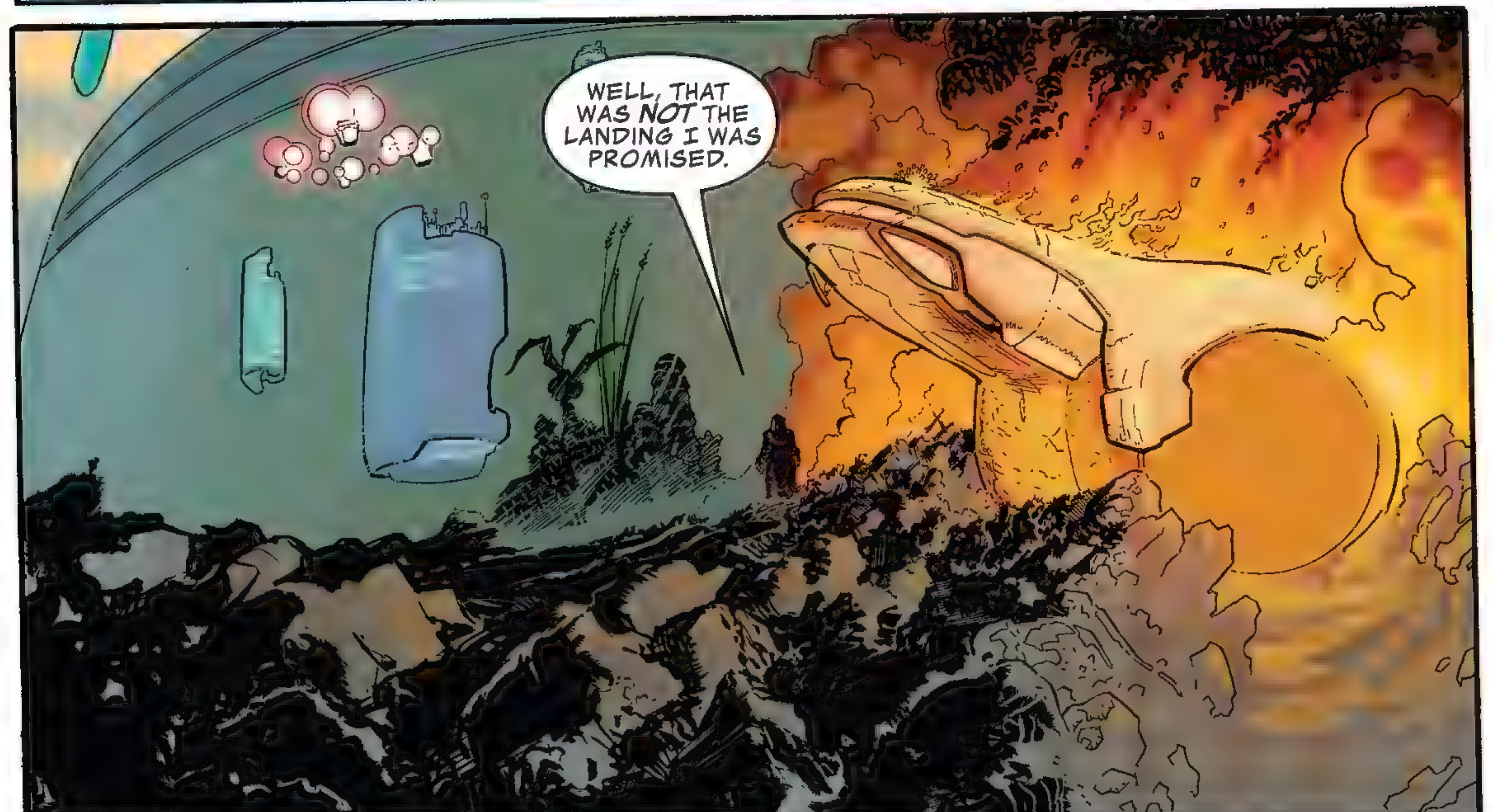
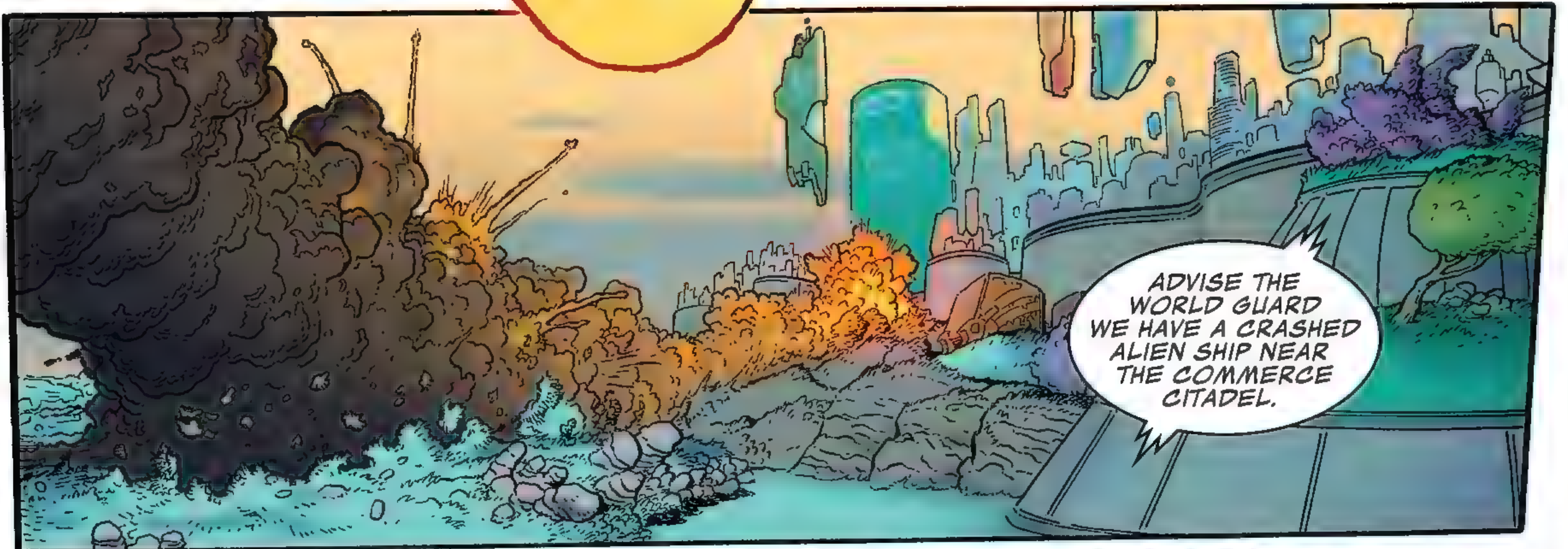


...AND GROOT."

ARE WE THERE YET? I DON'T USUALLY TRAVEL BY CONTRAPTION, BUT THIS DESCENT SEEMS QUITE STEEP.

UNIDENTIFIED VESSEL--ARE YOU IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE?

DIVERT IMMEDIATELY FROM YOUR CURRENT TRAJECTORY--YOU ARE HEADING TOWARD A POPULATION CENTER!





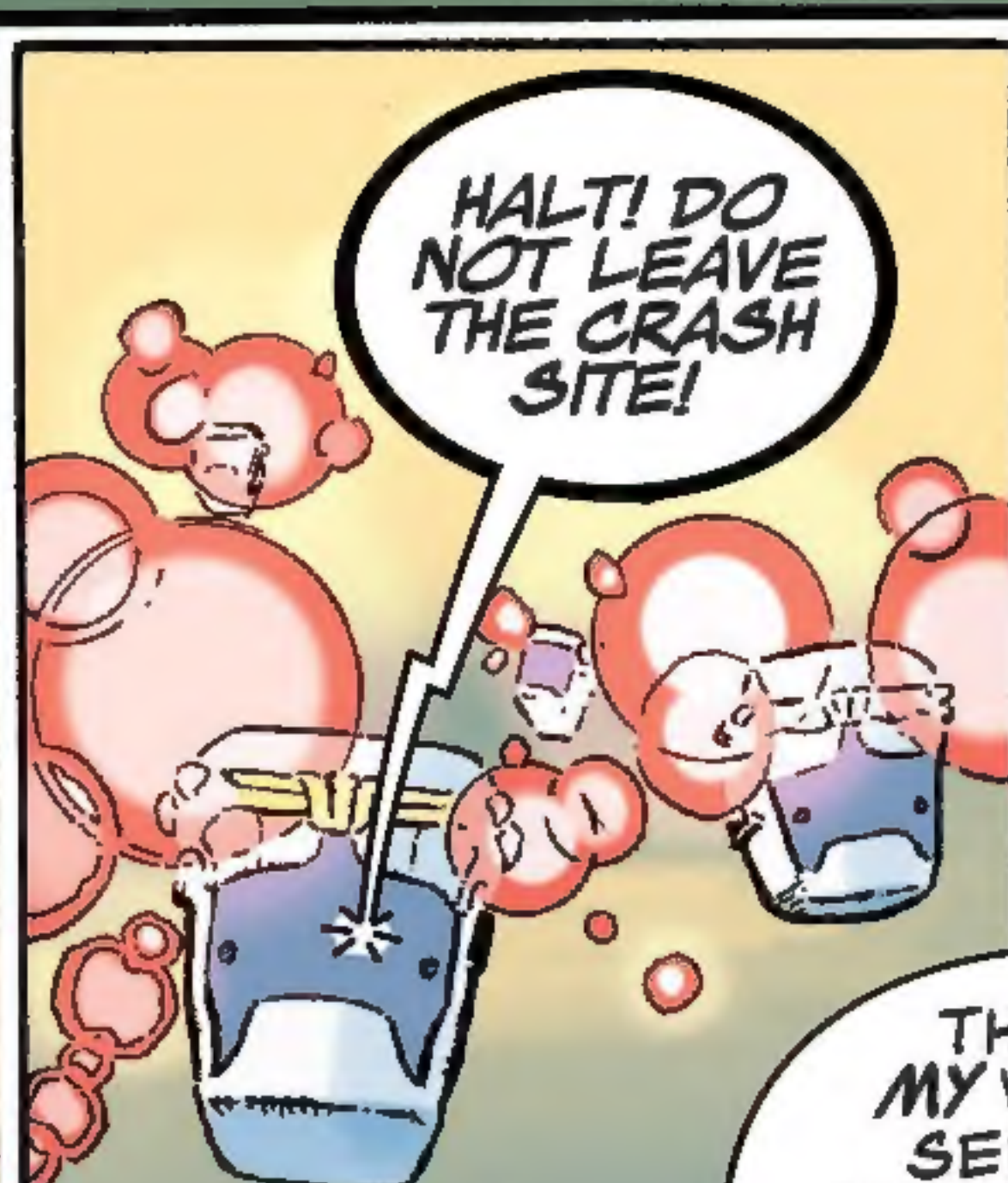
YOU TOLD ME YOU COULD  
ACHIEVE A PROPER  
LANDING!

I KNEW  
I SHOULD HAVE  
LEFT THE PILOTS  
ALIVE.

NOW--  
WHO IS  
HUNGRY?



GO FORTH  
AND END THE  
ANGULAR  
HORROR THEY HAVE  
WROUGHT  
ON US!



HALT! DO  
NOT LEAVE  
THE CRASH  
SITE!

THIS WAS  
MY WORLD. I  
SEEDED IT  
MILLENNIA AGO.  
NOW I HAVE  
RETURNED TO TRY  
TO MEND THE  
DAMAGE.

FOR THE  
FLORA!

SAVE  
SOME  
MEATBAGS  
FOR US?  
PLEASE?

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Just finished the FCBD ish and the ALL-NEW GUARDIANS #1. Such a fun read. Looking forward to seeing where these misfits go. I love that the team everybody knows and loves is back together. I like Venom, Kitty, and Ben Grimm as much as everyone else, but they do not belong in the Guardians in my opinion.

Can't wait for next ish. As far as a name for the letter page goes, how about the "8-Track" or "The Tape Deck"?

Thanks again,  
Josh Kotsab  
New Brunswick, Canada

Thanks, Josh. Bendis suggested to us that we lean into deep cosmic story and cast, and that was our inclination as well. I dig your pitches. You never know what small changes we might make coming up, though... Keep reading!

Dear Gerry and Aaron,

ALL-NEW GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY #1 was overall awesome and funny. I especially like the end with the mysterious figure; I was surprised by the Grandmaster being portrayed as a collector instead of a game master. I'm on the edge of my seat.

Sincerely,  
Charles Kidwell III

Thanks for the kind words. You'll see Grandmaster still plays games, and it's fun to give the Collector a peer with a rival collection. These two will pay off in surprising ways at the end of this arc, and in our long game, too. Hopefully. Thanks again.

Gerry Duggan's approach to long-term storytelling is what drew me to this new series, but what surprised me was Aaron Kuder's contributions to the book, especially his character designs. Drax in particular caught my eye because the costume just comes off as really fresh compared to the past few years of costumes for the character. There's something simplistic yet elegant about it, and I look forward to seeing more of it in the future.

Zane Hayden  
Manhattan, KS

Drax is becoming one of the more enjoyable parts of the gig for me. The notion of him attempting to turn away from violence is good for gags, but it's sincerely a good character beat, too, with some consequences that have recently presented themselves. His current character trajectory is something I've not attempted to plot in a comic. Should be fun. Aaron and our other guest stars are wonderful, aren't they? I'm as big a fan of their work as you readers are. Thanks again, see you in space.

Hi, Marvel,

I just read issues #1 and #2 of ALL-NEW GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY and I must admit that the work of Gerry Duggan, Aaron Kuder, and Ive Svorcina is amazing. The color palette that is applied to everything is a visual pleasure, and the smallest details in each drawing are incredible. The story of this comic is starting to get interesting, and I can't wait to read the next issue.

Greetings from Ecuador,  
Joshua A.

Thanks. Issue #3 began really laying out some of the larger pieces of story that we needed to move into view. I'm very happy with how these ideas have caught the imagination of Guardians fans. Lotta big story to come, with some surprising entrances and exits.

Hey, guys.

I am super excited to be writing you after finishing up the first two issues of the ALL-NEW GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY comic book series. I have a young son, Connor, who was just recently introduced to GOTG, and he is in love with the characters. He listens to the movie soundtracks, plays with the toys and reads the story books. He's still a bit too young for comics, but ol' dad sure has enjoyed this new series so far. I think it does a great job of capturing the spirit of the films with its humor and awesome visuals. FYI, I also dig the new I AM GROOT series. Groot is my son's very favorite character, so I had to check that one out as well. Good stuff all around!

Trevor Sherman  
Corbin, KY

Cool! You're an excellent dad to save the comics for Connor. I apologize in advance for what we're doing with Groot. We always hurt the ones we love the most. Thanks again for joining us in space, and if you readers haven't--please preorder your comics. It helps take the guesswork out of the job for retailers and ensures you will have the issues when they print. Some of the big stories we have coming up will be surprising and attract new readers. Don't get left behind. Thanks!

Dear ALL-NEW GOTG Team,

I was EXTREMELY skeptical when the very talented Brian Michael Bendis left GUARDIANS and an ALL-NEW series would take its place. Even after reading the first issue, I felt that whatever was to come in the future just wouldn't be the same. But after reading the second issue I was completely reassured that the ALL-NEW series would continue to deliver what everyone enjoys about the Guardians! It's hard to beat Bendis but Duggan does an amazing job keeping the old tone of GOTG while also bringing something new to the dialogue that I just can't figure out. Kuder is killing it with the art and Svorcina's coloring is gorgeous! Keep up the great work guys! We get this twice monthly???

Anthony B.

Thanks for the kind words. It's never easy being a part of a team that is following a successful run on a title. It'd be a lot easier to jump on stage if the previous run went into the toilet, but that was not our luck. I was very nervous to follow Brian, but I had faith in Aaron, Ive, and our editors. I knew the comic would look like a million bucks. The best advice I can give writers lucky enough to follow a successful act is to not try to do their thing and do your thing. Re: the art--I agree, Aaron and Ive are a magic team.

Cheers, G.

Just read issue #3. I really enjoyed the art and the fact that Phyla-Vell was also in it. I hope we get to see more Guardians members from DnA's run and the classic team. Related to that, any chance you guys could have an issue

in the near future with Yondu (both versions!)? I'm really looking forward to seeing the stories you guys are going to come up with!

Sincerely,  
Armand Rock

Thanks for writing, Armand. I think if you keep reading you'll see the universe will be filled with all kinds of exciting and dangerous possibilities. Can't comment much beyond that, but if you like our first three issues--wait till you see where we are later this year. Buckle up, and thanks for joining us.

Dear Gerry,

I don't normally write in but issue #3 of ALL-NEW GUARDIANS was one of the best issues I've read in years. You handled Gamora so very well and acknowledged the continuity. And you gave us a new story with Phyla, one of my favorites! I can't wait to see this plot thread further developed. I just wanted to thank you for that and say that you're displaying your cosmic street cred very well. As a longtime fan, it appears the cosmic characters are in good hands.

And since the Guardians are on a mission from the Collector, I thought it fitting to attach a few pics from my own collection. That's only a small section of it. Alas it is



not complete, as the Bowen Nova Modern statue seems forever out of reach.

And as is customary, I have a little wish list if you're not too busy. Marvel is one of my all-time favorites--what are the chances of seeing him, Phyla, and Genis working together to save the universe? And the Guardians 1000 were taken away far too soon.



Regardless, you've sold me on this new book.

Make Mine Moondragon!  
Mitch N.

Mitch, sweet collection. Thanks for feeling so thrilled with issue #3 that you were compelled to write. I'm glad you're excited about the future of the franchise--we're heading pretty deep into space and deeper into the MU Handbook. See you there--and thank you all for joining us.

Gerry



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